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Recent reports indicate that FUJIYAMA may be a possible successor to KISHI should the latter have to step down as PM. Reasoning seems to be that KONO and IKEDA will cancel each other out and KISHI feels this will give FUJIYAMA the chance to take over. Other reports indicate that KAYA (POSONNET/I) is joining ~~the~~ with FUJIYAMA in forming this new faction. However ~~stated~~ a recent State Dept dispatch states that this latter report is not accurate although KAYA may deliberately be ~~bring~~ trying to create such an impression.

SUGGESTION:

If Mr. C has a chance to meet with KAYA or if he has a chance to brief those who will meet KAYA, it might be a good subject of conversation if we can find out just what is this talk about a FUJIYAMA faction: does it exist; who does it consist of; is KISHI actively pushing it; what is KAYA's part in it. etc.?

1. MR. C [] FYI *✓*

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Would appreciate your obtaining the above requested info, if opportunity arises.

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